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SATURDAY, JULY 11, 1903.

## Sewer Bonds Issued.

The Passaic Valley District Sewerage Commission met in Newark Tuesday afternoon and adopted a resolution to issue bonds for \$1,000,000 to begin the work of constructing the trunk sewer from Paterson to New York Bay at Bayonne, to relieve the Passaic River from pollution.

At the same time the estimated cost of the work was declared by resolution to be \$8,000,000. This is the first step in the fight to prevent further pollution of the river and to restore it to its former condition and is likewise the "over act" which the Paterson authorities have threatened to take into the courts as soon as committed. The pollution begins at Paterson and the polluted water is quickly carried away from the city by the current, consequently the people there do not feel that they have the same lively interest in the reduction of the nuisance as their neighbors further down the stream, and do not want to pay their share for the disposal of the sewage. Governor Murphy sent a letter to the commission, which was read at the meeting Tuesday afternoon. He recited the provisions of the act requiring his endorsement of the Attorney-General's opinion that there was no legal obstacle to the work.

## Street Names.

Councilman Chabot of the Maps and Surveys Committee introduced an ordinance at the Town Council meeting Monday night which provides for some official jurisdiction over the naming of streets. Under the provisions of the ordinance, whenever a new street is laid out in this town, the proposed name of the street must be approved by the Town Council before it can be recognized as a legal title.

The object of this ordinance is to prevent confusion in street names from the use of similar titles in different parts of the town. Several streets in the Second Ward bear titles very similar to streets in the First and Third Wards, and it is seriously annoying to a stranger who is inquiring for a place in Myrtle Avenue in the Second Ward to be directed to Myrtle street in the Third Ward or vice versa. Such misdirections are not infrequent. The same mistake occurs in directing people to Thomas street. There is a Thomas street in the First and one in the Third Wards.

## A Danger Cry.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE CITIZEN: Sir: The Third Ward politicians will be chargeable with lack of astuteness if they let two fire company's go from the Third to the First Ward without an effort to block the scheme. Fire companies are valuable factors in local politics and are prolific of candidates for political honors. The Third Ward is now in the ascendancy in local politics in the number of its representatives in official power, and this is no doubt due in a large degree to the ward's predominance in fire matters. If the Third Ward politicians are sufficiently alive to the ward's political interests they will not part with any one of their fire companies.

There is no objection to the use of Nash's corner for a town hall, and let it be an ornamental building both within and without, but let no Third Ward man advocate the location of fire companies there. Glenwood Avenue is the ideal spot for the fire houses, and Dodd's hall should be purchased for fire purposes. The loss of the fire companies to the Third Ward would surely be followed by a loss of prestige in politics, and no Third Ward man would like to see or experience such a calamity.

## WATCHFUL.

Church Notes. The Rev. Elliott W. Brown will preach in the Glen Ridge church the next two Sunday mornings. He will then start for Chicago, where Mrs. Brown is visiting her people.

Mrs. C. S. Woodruff will speak at the Park M. E. Church on Sunday morning on the general work of the Woman's Home Missionary Society. In the evening, at 7:45, the pastor, Dr. C. S. Woodruff, will preach a special sermon to the Independent Order of Foresters and their families.

## Case of Suicide.

Frederick Rowland, a hatter, and a former convict, forty-three years of age, committed suicide at his home, 639 Bloomfield Avenue, late on Saturday night. He put his wife and his nephew, Henry Dierck, who boarded with Mrs. Rowland, in fear of their lives before ending his own existence. He chased the woman about the house, and only took the fatal dose after he thought she had escaped.

Rowland, who had been wandering about the country for several weeks, took advantage of his wife's absence from home Saturday night, and effected an entrance into the house by opening a bay window. Going to her room he concealed himself behind a bureau, where he remained until Mrs. Rowland had come in and gone to bed. Then he pushed the bureau out and at the same time struck four matches which he had in his hand, and held them up in front of his wife, who jumped out of bed in great alarm.

Mrs. Rowland screamed, and her cries brought her nephew into the room, where he saw her struggling with her husband. The woman shouted to Dierck to get a policeman. At this, Rowland said:

"Before I let a detective catch me I will swallow poison." As he said it, he raised a bottle of carbolic acid to his lips and swallowed a part of the contents.

The pain seemed to drive Rowland almost insane, and as his wife started to leave the room, the husband followed her, with the bottle in his hand. She thinks he intended to disfigure her by throwing the acid that remained in the bottle. The woman was too quick for him, however, and ran down the stairs and in and out of the rooms, followed by her husband. She ran up and down the stairs three different times. Finally, she opened a door leading to the stairs and got behind it, while Rowland, moaning in agony, ran out on the veranda. Unable to find his wife, he returned to the house and up the stairs to her room where he fell to the floor and died.

When he went up the stairs for the fourth time, Mrs. Rowland, who had remained in hiding behind the door, rushed out of the house to the home of a neighbor, Mrs. Frank Wissner. She had been there but a few moments when Policeman Durnell arrived on the scene. He found the body lying on the floor of the woman's room.

Rowland had served two terms in prison for forgery, but had been at liberty for the last three years. He remained away from his home until last November, when he turned up and begged his wife to take him back, which the woman did, after he had threatened to end his life if she did not comply. Four weeks ago last Saturday night, Rowland went away and his wife heard nothing from him until that night. The police believe that Rowland intended not only to end his own life, but those of his wife and nephew also.

A note written on the back of a business card, found on the bureau after Rowland's death, read as follows:

"My wife will claim my body and Henry Dierck will see that she is informed, as I do not know, nor do I want to know, where she is or lives."

Mrs. Rowland said that she had contemplated bringing a suit for divorce from Rowland. "Now I can spend the money to bury him."

County Physician McKenzie viewed the body and granted a burial certificate.

## Report on Test Borings.

The Eagle Rock Water Company has received from Charles D. Pierce, a consulting engineer, a report of test borings made on the company's property in Midland Avenue. Five borings were made from the surface of the ground to bedrock, an average depth of twenty-three feet. The bedrock is red shale.

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## Driving Notes.

James Butler of New York purchased on Tuesday the fast record trotting mare Beldia, 2.09 1/2, by Jack Dawson, dam of Florida, from Theodore T. Maxfield of this town. The price paid was \$5,000. Mr. Butler has admired the mare all spring while she was taking her work on the track.

Monroe Salisbury informed Mr. Butler that he believed Beldia was possessed of more speed than her record would indicate, and the purchase was made. It is the common opinion that Beldia, under the guiding hand of the "Speed King," will prove to be one of the best mares in the 2.10 trot this season.

Mr. Butler will be represented on the tracks this year to a larger extent than any other farm or individual. He has horses in the stable of Ed Geers and Monroe Salisbury, another string on the half mile tracks under the care of Thomas Murphy, and another lot in charge of Maxfield. The Murphy string has been racing for the past few weeks, and to date has shown as well as any stable that has thus far appeared on the half-mile rings. The majority of horses being raced by Mr. Butler are by his premier sire, Direct, 2.05 1/2.

Monroe Salisbury shipped his campaigning stable Wednesday from the Empire track to Detroit. All the horses have had their final trials within the last two days and are ready now for the work of the active campaign. The stable contains ten horses, headed by the trotter Monte Carlo, 2.09 1/2, and in dual trial on Sunday the California trotter stepped a mile in 2.11, and repeated in 2.10, going each mile in easy fashion.

Mr. Salisbury left a number of his horses that are not yet ready for the campaign with Theodore Maxfield. Among these will be Miss Overton, Daphne Direct, the wonderful three-year-old filly that paced a quarter in 30 seconds. The Wizard, a black trotter by Directum that has not pleased the sage of Pleasanton in his preparation; Indirectly, a promising young trotter by Direct, 2.05 1/2; Venus, a pacer by Direct, out of the dam of Planet, 2.04 1/2, and Delgola by Deimarch, 2.11 1/2 that John Kelly drove a mile last year for James Butler in 2.10 1/2.

## Baths in Schools.

With a number of other improvements that are being made in Elmwood public school, East Orange, shower baths are being installed for the use of pupils and teachers. They will be in shape when the fall term opens. Afternoons will be designated during the week in which the baths will be set apart for the boys, girls and teachers in their turns. This is a new departure in the East Orange schools, and if the experiment proves successful, as it is believed it will, baths will be installed in the other schools.

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